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FOR GRAIN AND FEED DIV, FCA

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TOFAS 72. 1. NO BREWERS GRITS PRODUCED BUT LARGE QUANTITY OF
CORN GRITS CONSUMED BY HUMANS. CORN GERM MEAL PRODUCED IN VERY SMALL
QUANTITY BUT CORN MEAL NOT PRODUCED COMMERCIALY. NO CORN OR
PRODUCTS EXPORTED IN COMMERCIAL QUANTITY.

2. PRICES IN U.S. CENTS PER POUND FOLLOW:

CORN	CORN GRITS
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FARM PRICE	5.55
PRODUCER PRICE	7.71
ASSEMBLER PRICE	6.91
RETAIL PRICE	8.94
SUPPORT PRICE	4.94
RETAIL PRICE CEILING	8.94

3. OCEAN FREIGHT RATE TO NEAREST U.S. PORT (APPROX.)

- A. BULK CORN \$18 PER LONG TON (FULL SHIP LOTS)
- B. CONTAINERIZED (BULK IN CONTAINER) MEAL OR GRITS \$70 PER
REVENUE TON
- C. CONTAINERIZED (IN BAGS) MEAL OR GRITS \$90 PER REVNUUE
TON.

4. GOVERNMENT AID TO PRODUCTION OF CORN INCLUDES "SOCIALIZED"
FERTILIZER PRICES, SUPPORT PRICE FOR CORN AND PRODUCTION INCENTIVES
SUCH AS LOANS, TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, ETC. UNDER THE
"MASAGANA MAISAN" PROGRAM. NOT POSSIBLE TO PUT DOLLAR VALUE
ON THIS ASSISTANCE.

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5. TOTAL CORN PRODUCTION AND CONSUMPTION (FEED, FOOD AND SEED)
AND CORN EQUIVALENT OF CORN GRITS PRODUCTION AND CONSUMPTION:

1973-74	CORN	CORN GRITS
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PRODUCTION	2,289,000 M.T.	1,350,000 M.T.
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CONSUMPTION	2,320,000 M.T.	1,350,000 M.T.
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1974-75

PRODUCTION	2,658,000 M.T.	1,450,000 M.T.
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CONSUMPTION	2,530,000 M.T.	1,450,000 M.T.
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6. THE PHILIPPINES HAS NO EXPORT POTENTIAL FOR CORN OR CORN
PRODUCTS IN THE FORESEEABLE FUTURE. IT IS MOST UNLIKELY THAT
GSP TREATMENT WILL ENABLE THE PHILIPPINES TO EXPORT CORN OR BY
BY PRODUCTS TO THE UNITED STATES.

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